## **Introduced by Assembly Member Bass**

April 2, 2009

An act relating to economic stimulus.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 31, as introduced, Bass. Economic stimulus.

Under existing law, the Department of Community Services and Development is authorized to apply for, administer, and oversee federal block grant funds and to perform various functions, including promulgating regulations, negotiating and executing contracts necessary or convenient for the exercise of its responsibilities, powers, and functions, and ensuring that federal and state standards of programmatic performance and fiscal accountability are met.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to ensure that any economic stimulus moneys received pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 from the federal government are directed to programs and projects that provide the greatest economic benefit to the state, while maintaining and advancing the state's long-term policy goals.

The California Constitution authorizes the Governor to declare a fiscal emergency and to call the Legislature into special session for that purpose. The Governor issued a proclamation declaring a fiscal emergency, and calling a special session for this purpose, on December 19, 2008.

This bill would state that it addresses the fiscal emergency declared by the Governor by proclamation issued on December 19, 2008, pursuant to the California Constitution.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that ensures that any economic stimulus moneys received pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) from the federal government be directed to programs and projects that provide the greatest economic benefit to the state, while maintaining and advancing the state's long-term policy goals.
- 8 SEC. 2. This act addresses the fiscal emergency declared by 9 the Governor by proclamation on December 19, 2008, pursuant 10 to subdivision (f) of Section 10 of Article IV of the California 11 Constitution.